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Pursuant to Minute Order No. 14, dated June 6, 2019, Hui o Nā Wai 'Ehā and Maui Tomorrow Foundation, Inc. (collectively, the "Community Groups"), through their counsel Earthjustice, respectfully submit the following response to Hawaiian Commercial & Sugar Company's and Mahi Pono, LLC's Joint Motion for Withdrawal and Substitution of Parties for SWUPA 2206, filed on May 14, 2019. The Community Groups take no position on the request for withdrawal and substitution in itself and note that a similar withdrawal and substitution effectively occurred when HC&S and Waikapu Properties, LLC gave notice that HC&S would no longer pursue a permit for the 'Īao-Waikapū Fields, and that Waikapu Properties, the owner of those lands, would instead pursue that permit.¹ The Community Groups point out, however,

¹ See Hawaiian Commercial & Sugar Company's Notice Regarding SWUPA 2206, filed on July 25, 2016; Waikapu Properties, LLC Response to Hawaiian Commercial & Sugar Company's Notice Regarding SWUPA 2206, filed on July 26, 2016. (Note that HC&S had mistakenly referred to the permit for the 'Īao-Waikapū Fields as "SWUPA 2206," but it was actually SWUPA 2205.)

that they have submitted exceptions to the proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision and Order, dated November 1, 2017, specifically regarding HC&S's proposed uses under SWUPA 2206;² and the Community Groups continue to stand by those exceptions based on the current record and proposed decision on SWUPA 2206.

As was the case with SWUPA 2205 and Waikapū Properties, the Community Groups expect that they, along with the other parties in this proceeding, will have a due opportunity to address any proposed changes in SWUPA 2206 by the substituting party Mahi Pono. The Community Groups respectfully urge the Commission to avoid and minimize any further delays in allowing this opportunity, since *more than a year and a half* has already passed since the parties submitted their exceptions to the proposed decision in this case.

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² See Hui o Nā Wai Ehā's and Maui Tomorrow Foundation, Inc.'s Exceptions to the Proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision and Order, dated November 1, 2017, filed on January 8, 2018, at 37-44.

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